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On February 17, 2009, President Barack Obama signed the \$787 Billion American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) into law. This far reaching initiative to stimulate economic growth has directed much needed resources to states and communities in a variety of ways. From funding infrastructure such as roads and bridges to helping homeowners and renters make their homes more energy efficient, ARRA is truly a national investment. Here are just a few stories of how ARRA funds are making a difference in the lives of Iowans.

Weatherization, Community Action of SE Iowa

"We don't make a lot of money by being partners with this program. But we've made a huge difference for a lot of Keokuk families. By updating their furnaces, these families are saving hundreds of dollars every month. In a city that is struggling so much, it feels great to have made a difference."

Susan Melcher
Borders HVAC
Keokuk, Iowa

Weatherization, Community Action of SE Iowa

"Before working with Community Action of Southeast Iowa, I was at a plumbing supply company and not really learning many new skills. Now, I'm able to do a lot of different things, from installing insulation to replacing window panes and a lot more. Every day, I'm learning first hand how to make a house more energy efficient and more affordable to heat. I love what I'm doing."

Andrew Strausbaugh
Burlington, Iowa

Weatherization, Community Action of SE Iowa

"I would not have been able to afford to heat my house this winter had it not been for the weatherization services. It has taken hundreds of dollars off my monthly utility bills. It really saved me with being able to afford to stay in my house. I am very grateful."

Ashleigh Hansen
Burlington, Iowa

Weatherization, Community Action of SE Iowa

"The men even did extra work such as working on my porch. The program provided the materials to fix the ceilings upstairs and the furnace doesn't have to work as much since the insulation was put in. The house is much quieter now."

Keith & Idea Jacobs
Burlington, Iowa

